

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/321,605

Applicant(s)
Sashida et al.

Examiner
Jack Chen

Art Unit
2813

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Jack Chen (3) _____
(2) Thomas E. Brown (4) _____

Date of Interview Dec 19, 2002

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 21

Identification of prior art discussed:

Mochizuki et al. U.S./5,990,507

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.


Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicant argues that the prior art (US/5990507) does not show forming a local interconnection covering an entire portion of the upper electrode; for example, the width of the upper electrode 19 is not covered by the local interconnection. the examiner disagrees because figs 20-22 show this feature in a plan view, with respect to the width of the upper electrode, this feature is not in the claim. The Examiner will reconsider this argument.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached


JACK CHEN
PATENT EXAMINER
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Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required